

## \$25,000.00 IN CASH.

### Donation of the Messrs. Dillon to be Used in the Erection of the Court House and Jail Deposited Equally in the Two Banks.

A Herald man was shown two checks of \$12,500.00 each the other day which represents the \$25,000.00 Messrs. J. W. and T. A. Dillon have donated for the erection of a court house and jail, provided the county seat of the New County is located at Dillon.

The checks are made payable to Mr. W. T. Iethea, trustee and treasurer of the New County Central Executive Committee, which places the fund absolutely in the hands of Mr. Behea.

At each of the banks the Messrs. Dillon have deposited \$12,500.00 in hard cash to meet the checks and as the cashiers at both banks have certified to the checks there is nothing for the New County commissioners to do but call on Mr. Behea and get the money immediately after the bill to create the New County has passed the legislature and the commissioners have been appointed.

There is no promise on the part of the Messrs. Dillon. The money has been deposited in the banks and the checks have been issued without any strings tied to them and the funds no longer in the hands of the contributors.

Twenty-five thousand dollars is a big sum of money for two individuals to contribute to a public cause but the Messrs. Dillon have had the matter under consideration for some months and the gift was made cheerfully and happily at the propoime.

This is probably the largest amount of money ever contributed to a public cause by two individuals in the history of the state.

### Life a Funny Proposition.

Man comes into this world without his consent and leaves it gains his will. During his stay on earth his time is spent in one continual round of contraries and misunderstandings by the balance of our species. In his infancy he is an angel; in his boyhood he is a devil; in his manhood he is everything from a lizard up; in his duties he is an utter fool; if he raises a family he is a chump; if he raises a small check he is a thief, and then the law raises the devil with him; if he is a poor man he is a poor manager and has no sense; if he is rich he is dishonest, but considered smart; if he is in politics he is a grafter and a croak; if he is out of politics you can't place him, as he is an undesirable citizen, if he goes to church he is a hypocrite, if he stays away from church he is a sinner and is damned; if he donates to foreign missions he does it for show; if he doesn't he is stingy and a tight-wad. When he first comes into the world everybody wants to kiss him—before he goes out they all want to kick him. If he dies young there was a great future before him; if he lives to a ripe old age he is simply in the way and living to save funeral expenses. Life is a funny road, but we all like to travel it just the same.—Selected.

### COMING.

Nov. 29th-30th.

The Comedian.

John B. Willis and Company

in

"Two Old Cronies"

(mostly girls)

Comedians—Singers—Dancers—

Prize Beauty Chorus—Gorgeous

Costumes—Special Scenery.

### KIND WORDS FROM A VISITOR.

Florence, S. C., 11-19-09.

TO THE HERALD:

I am just back from District 2 K. P. Convention in Dillon, and fearing all the good things relative to what was done might not be said, I shall add a feeble expressions.

The night of the 17th and school auditorium was the time and place arranged by the Committee for the first meeting owing and to the delay of the train in bringing the grand C. C. Rembert and others the meeting was not called to order until after 10 o'clock. Dr. A. J. Evans presided over the meeting which was a public one and in his introductions he proved himself fitted for the position.

The K. of P. opening ode was first sung by Miss Gertrude Brewer's vocal class of girls accompanied on the piano by Miss Myrtle Beauman. "Lightly, Lightly" was then rendered by the class, after which they replied to an encore in a pretty selection, "Dixie Moon." The next on the program deserves a master pen, more than mine to describe; for the talented Miss Kathryn Whitley of Charlotte, N. C., had been selected to give a recitation on Daymon and Pythias, and I feel sure, from the hearty, and prolonged applause of the large gathering, that its equal had never before been given in Dillon, and I only wish every Castle Hall in this broad domain of ours could have the same. The one selected to first welcome the delegates, was the noble and very dignified Pythian, H. K. Cottingham and to prove the committee made no mistake in their selection I will say that the good Bro. did himself proud, and talked himself out of business. His narrative of "Moonshine fishing" led us to believe that he got his inspiration from moon shine on the outside rather than from the inside. Mr. E. R. Hamer then followed with appropriate words, when G. D. Douglas McIntyre replied in behalf of the delegates, the Hon. J. E. Ellerbee was called on and pleasantly responded and was followed by G. C. Rembert on Pythianism. As late as the hour and the unfavorable situation Mr. Rembert gave the audience a treat they were not looking for and his speech of an hour I will not comment on further than to say he held his audience until after midnight and then they were not anxious to say quit, when he closed his remarks.

In the forenoon of the 18th, the District Lodge was called together by Grand Deputy McIntyre and the time passed too swiftly to do the work that had to be done, the detail of which I leave for the appointed reporter to narrate; will simply state that Mr. Rembert gave the convention, in the closing hour words that will surely bring a harvest of good things in the days to come.

Convention closed 1 P. M., 8 P. M. Dillon Lodge met in their Castle Hall for their regular meeting, and several of the delegates were present to enjoy all that was coming, which included talks from the visitors (the writer can say but little for he was one of them) and the advancement in rank from Page to Esquire of S. T. Bailey and C. L. Daniel, and I can tell you that with the help at hand the lessons were well given and Pythianism made stronger by the exercises. When the meeting closed the surprise came in the shape of a well prepared lunch, coffee and cigars, and since the writer did not smoke he had to eat, and my only wish was, that there might be more Dillon's and more of us to enjoy the things that Dillon has to give.

Yours truly,

W. H. Bartlett.

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### DILLONITES AT RALEIGH.

The National Farmer's Congress held at the capital of the Old North State some weeks ago was a repetition of the one held at Oklahoma last year. Representative men and women from 34 states were in attendance. It was an occasion in which our Tar Heel friends did themselves proud. The accredited delegates from this congressional district were Vice-President H. McRae, J. J. McKay, W. B. Allen, E. C. Edwards and last, but not least, our gay Lathario, O. C. Hayes, who kindly relieved David Behea of his duties as a delegate. The disseminating of ideas that tend to the betterment of the agricultural class and educating them along scientific lines is one of the chief objects of these annual gatherings. Many able and encouraging speeches were made and papers were read; one especially by a talented lady on "the drink habit." The lady and her subject so impressed Mr. Hayes that he sought an introduction and his first query was "are you married?" "Alas, yes," she said, "but I have ever wanted a man like you."

Then deep down in Hayes' heart Cupid's dart had struck, He rushed away to another group Hoping for better luck.

Mr. Hayes saw the whole show. He was domiciled at the Tarboro Hotel and would make daily excursions to the congress and the museum. At the latter place he saw many wonderful things, but his trip out to a model farm in a \$4,000 auto and with a most charming young lady as his companion capped the climax of his enjoyment.

The free excursion to Palmico Sound and the grand oyster bake was all that could be desired. But our friend Hayes was all eyes in this swell set of beauties from 34 states. Eagerly he watched (to him) this angelic throng. Even now his ribs are sore from the excited pounding of his great big heart. For one thing Mr. Hayes deserves the plaudits of the entire new county. His patriotism stood the test. An exquisitely beautiful young lady from the Hoosier state fell a victim to his manly proportions and by every blandishment known to the fair sex tried to take him boldly off to her western home. Here the true patriot shone in resplendent light. His vote on Dec. 14th. was paramount to all other considerations. Hurrah for Brother Hayes! Would that there were more like him. —M.

### TWO OLD CRONIES.

(Macon Telegraph.)

Two Old Cronies at the Grand last night had a good audience but not so large as the excellence of the show by The Willis Company deserved. John B. Willis and Harry Mack as Prof. Kreitzmeyer and O'Donovan Duff, respectively, were very funny, the German dialect of the Professor being perfect. The two comedians on several occasions brought down the house.

The ladies of the company were heard to great advantage in several of the latest popular songs and choruses, and while pretty to look at they also possess good, well-trained voices. Miss Kate Helston makes a big hit with her dancing.

The whole company did most creditable work and should have large audiences to-night and tomorrow matinee and night, as the performance is certainly one of the funniest and best staged that has been in Macon this season. They will appear at the Dillon Opera House Nov. 26-27. Tickets on sale at Brunson's Drug Store.

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### The Abuse of Those Who Mould the Future of Our Country.

The president of one of our State Colleges told the following incident sometime ago, at an educational gathering: He said that a few days before he had received the following letter—"Dear Dr., We need a teacher for our school. We want a man not less than thirty years of age, who is married, has had not less than ten years experience as a teacher and is a graduate. We will be able to pay him forty dollars per month for five months." Five times forty are two hundred dollars a year for a man with a family, experience and an education. What negro who runs a share crop doesn't make double this amount? Then add to this fact that for the other seven months during the year he makes nothing, for as everyone knows, any one who gives his life to teaching is unsuited for anything else. No man can do anything outside his vocation. Now take into consideration the fact that you intrust to this man the care of your children and that on him depends the future welfare of your country and that you are paying him for this miserable service the miserable pittance of two hundred dollars a year. This is a case for the humane society to take in charge.

This is not an extreme case at all, but is the rule, rather than an exception, for in my report to the State Superintendent of Education, the average salary for white teachers in this county is three hundred dollars, and if you leave off the town schools we will find that it falls to two hundred dollars for the others. Now what do you think of the other schools in the State when we stand up among the first counties?

Any kind of a teacher is worth double the salary he gets and no teacher falls short of his duty except in one particular and this is that he is a human being. The One Great Teacher whom all teachers are expected to emulate was a God. Of course no teacher has ever yet been able to reach the standard that Christ set for him, but just think for a moment and see if really down in your heart you do not expect your teacher to be just as he was.

For instance, if your child is dull and stupid, do you not expect the teacher to take him and in some miraculous manner make an intelligent man of him? If he is unruly and cannot be managed at home do you not expect the teacher to take him and make him sweet tempered and law abiding? If the teacher does take him and punish him as he deserves; do you not indict him for cruelty? Then what do you expect of your teacher? Remember that he is only a human being and can not as Christ did remove mountains nor cast out devils. Often we hear people say that the teacher is a good one, but she is ill natured. Is your temper very sweet on rainy days when all the children are in the home? Just think of it then when your teacher has from fifty to sixty children in her room all day. There are teachers in this county that are wearing away their lives at that for the benefit of your children and for this they neither receive credit nor remuneration to the extent that they deserve. When we have learned to look at schools from the teachers' point of view and not till then will we have good schools.

Very truly,

Joe P. Lane.

### INSURING HIS HONESTY.

A shrewd old Vermont farmer came into a lawyer's office the other day and proceeded to relate the circumstances in a matter about which he thought it would be profitable to "go to law."

"You think I hev a good case?" he finally asked.

"Very good, indeed!" the lawyer assured him. "You should certainly bring suit."

"What would your fee be for the whole thing," the farmer asked.

"Fifty dollars," was the prompt response.

The client pulled out an old wallet, extracted a roll of bills and counted out \$50.

"Now," he said, "you hev got all you would get out of this case anyhow; so s'pose you tell me honestly just what you think my chances of winin' a suit are."

—The Green Bag.

### Coast Line Will Double Track.

Richmond, Va., November 16.—The stockholders of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad met here today and re-elected the old directors, who re-elected all the officers. A semi-annual dividend on the common stock of 3 per cent, payable in January, was declared.

A blanket mortgage of \$200,000, and a special issue of debenture bonds of \$25,000,000 convertible into common stock at \$135 was authorized, these issues to cover outstanding obligations.

The issuance of \$200,000,000 in bonds is mainly to provide for the double tracking of 1,500 miles of the main line of the road from Richmond south. The improvement is designed to make the Atlantic Coast Line the greatest trunk route of the Atlantic seaboard, and includes the creation of shops and new terminals as well as the double tracking.

### Mrs. M. C. Harrelson, Suicides.

Mullins Enterprise.

The sad news was received here at an early hour on last Monday morning by her husband, of the tragic death of Mrs. M. C. Harrelson, who took her life by hanging herself at the State hospital in Columbia some time during the night of Nov. 14th.

The body was found at 6 o'clock on Monday morning by Dr. Snyder, with a rope, taken from the "straightjacket" which she wore, around her neck, hanging from a window, with life extinct.

Mrs. Harrelson's mind had been in a bad condition for about a year. She was taken to a hospital in Wilmington last May, but was later removed to Columbia. Her condition, mentally and physically, was improving to such an extent that she would have been able to return home in a couple of weeks, in fact, at the time of her death she was stouter and stronger than she had been in ten years.

Mrs. Harrelson is survived by her husband and one little son, besides her mother, Mrs. Rebecca McMillan, and two sisters and eight brothers. She was 26 years of age.

The body was brought here Monday evening for burial and the funeral services were held yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock conducted by Rev. J. L. Daniel, assisted by Revs. D. Tiller and B. K. Mason, at Millers, at which church deceased was a member from childhood. A large number of sympathizing friends gathered to render their last tribute of respect.

When deceased was taken to the State hospital the doctors there diagnosed her disease as pellagra, and it seemed that her principal purpose was self destruction from the very beginning; she having made several attempts on her life even before she was carried off for treatment.

The stricken family have the sympathy of the entire community.

### Free State News.

Mr. Curtis LeGette of Lanes spent Sunday with his parents here.

Mrs. W. L. Tillman of Bennettsville spent a few days last week with relatives in this section.

Mr. D. L. Cottingham of Wilmington visited his sister, Mrs. Oscar Fenegan, Wednesday last.

Mrs. E. C. Moore, who has been visiting relatives in Marlboro, returned home a week or two ago.

Mr. Rufus Allen of Bennettsville is expected home to spend Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Allen.

Miss Mary Hays has gone to Augusta to visit her sister, Mrs. John Dunnaway.

Mr. J. P. Rogers of Columbia, came to visit his parents some time ago and has been confined to his bed with an attack of tonsillitis.

Mr. A. C. Ray went to Pittsboro, N. C., on a business trip last week.

### AN OUTSIDE VIEW OF NEW COUNTY.

#### The Following from the Florence Times Shows how Those on the Outside View the Effort to Divide Marion County.

There is not a thing considered in Dillon at all to-day except the new county fight. The interest in the new county fight centers chiefly around the gift of the Messrs. Dillon of \$25,000 for the erection of a court-house and jail. The \$25,000 offer of Little Rock on condition that the court house should be located there, was thought at one time to have been an effort to split the new county people by exciting a factional fight between themselves, but it has resulted in operating in the opposite direction, i. e. one can judge from indications just now, The Dillon Herald this week, which is delayed to print some of the new matters coming up, contains a most admirable editorial, and as this paper is the mouthpiece of the new county people, it may be taken as authoritative in which it is stated that the location to be fought now was the new county, the location of the court-house was a side issue entirely. Little Rock, Latta or any other place that the people of the section cut off, wanted, had to wait and might lay them before the voters, and the one declared by the greater number of voters would be the place selected. Dillon was not begrudging in the matter.

The Little Rock donation, instead of being a lump of dynamite to blow up the new project as so many thought has seemingly done great good to the cause of the new county advocates. They will certainly have the courthouse and jail without the expenditure of any money.

The location for which Mr. Dillon speaks is one that meets with the general approval of the people of Dillon and of the county generally. It is on Main street, two squares from the railroad facing the street and the main business houses, and yet far enough out to be free from the turmoil of business. It is a charming location. Nothing is said about the name of the new county in the letter of Mr. Dillon, though it is understood that he would be glad to have heard the name of the town and its founder, but as there are some who fight on that proposition, Mr. Dillon makes no provision in that matter, which will probably result in securing more votes for the name "Dillon" county than if no action had been taken by him at all, or if he had made that condition.

It is generally conceded that Dillon is going to win out on this fight. The old county people seem to have exhausted all of their ammunition, exploded all of their mines and are ready to except the ballot box. There is no telling, however, there are all sorts of quick turns in these fights and no new county is safe until it has landed completely.

Interest is running high here. New county headquarters are opened where the voters are taken care of and business is transacted and it is really surprising the strength gained by the new county advocates lately. The winning of Latta was the greatest achievement. They count certainly on victory in the election, (though two-thirds majority is hard to get, and may be missed by a mighty few votes.

In his haste to sidetrack a train at the Harrison street crossing of the A. C. L. Saturday, a negro threw the switch too quick and the heavy engine pulling the local freight left the rails and ploughed its way through the road bed for several yards. The derailed engine was helpless until the northbound local freight came along and pushed it back on the rails. Quite a crowd gathered around the helpless monster while it was being pushed back on the rails and there many suggestions from the spectators as to how "it ought to be done."